

SEMESTER - III

POL - 200

INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Credit - 3

Course Objectives:

Introduces some basic concepts, key theories and International Relations debates.

Learning Outcomes:

Students will understand the key theories, concepts, and debates surrounding international relations. Students will acquire a comprehensive reading of the origin of International Relations and its mainstream theories and concepts.

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| Unit I: | Meaning, Nature, Scope and Emergence of International Relations as a discipline. |
| Unit II: | Theories of International Relations: Realism, Neo-Realism, Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism. |
| Unit III: | Determinants and limitations of National power, National Interest, Balance of power and Collective Security. |
| Unit IV: | Non-state actors: Global Terrorism, Multinational Corporation and Green Peace. |

Suggested Readings:

Acharya Amitav & Barry Buzan, *The Making of Global International Relations Origins and Evolution of IR at its Centenary*, Cambridge University Press: UK. 2019.

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